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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

1. The reply and amendment filed on 10/20/2003 are not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the new claims are not directed to the original invention. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Newly submitted claims 1-15 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reason(s): The original claims are directed to a method for scaling a storage library in combination with increasing the horizontal width and horizontal length of the storage library. The new claims are not directed to the original invention.

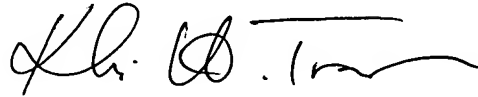
Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, none of the new claims are directed to the original invention. Applicant is given a one or thirty days from the mailing date of this notice to correct the claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khoi H Tran whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Ellis can be reached on (703) 308-1113. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Khoi H. Tran', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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